

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the subject application as amended herein is respectfully requested.

In response to the objections to the claims, new claims are submitted that correspond to standard U.S. practice. The specification is also amended by supplying proper headings.

Sketches A and B are submitted with proposed drawing corrections.

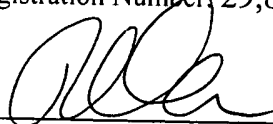
The former claims were rejected as being anticipated by various prior art. The Applicant respectfully traverses these rejections. Briefly, the subject application pertains to a wind power installation and a method for operating the same. As well known in the art, a problem associated with wind power installations coupled to electrical networks is that under certain conditions, the network may experience an overvoltage that may be unacceptable. The present invention provides a solution for this problem. More specifically, according to this invention, the network voltage is monitored, and, in one aspect of the invention, when the network voltage exceeds a level $P1$, the supplied power level is reduced. As the network voltage increases, the supplied power level is continuously reduced, until, at U_{max} , the supplied power level reaches zero. Thereafter, as seen in Fig. 3, as the network voltage level increases above U_{max} , the supplied power level remains at zero.

In another aspect of the invention, at low network voltages (i.e., below U_{min}), the supplied power level is also maintained at zero. Between U_{min} and a threshold $P3$ (indicated in the attached sketches), the supplied power lower gradually rises to a nominal level.

The new claims describe one or more of these features of the invention. None of the references cited disclose these features. Accordingly it is respectfully submitted that the subject application is patentably distinguishable over the prior art and should be allowed.

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Encl. Sketches of A&B